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LOCAL NEWS.

THURSDAY, OCT. 22, 1896.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Announcement to Merchants.

To the Merchants of Eastern North Carolina:

We announce that we are now ready to fill your orders for mattresses, having a large stock on hand, and all made in the latest Boston shape. We are the largest manufacturers in the State and do claim to give you the best Double Cotton Top Mattress, in fancy and plain blue ticking, ever offered before. We have special freight arrangements to all points. Orders filled the day they are received. Order early, as they will be higher.

Very truly,
Halifax, N. C. HALE BROS.

Furniture For Sale.

Expecting to leave Tillery the last of October, I offer all my household goods for sale within the next two weeks, at half price.

No 1. Heart Cypress Shingles for sale.
JOSEPH TURNER,
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For Rent!

A good farm and on liberal terms to the right kind of man. Write at once giving reference to C. H. Blocker, Lawrence, N. C.

Dry Goods and merchandise of every kind, are cheaper than we have ever known them. Call and see for yourself.

Wanted, 1000 bales cotton by Nov. 1st. Will pay highest price.

New Goods! New Goods!! Our Fall and Winter Stock is ready for your inspection.

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Bridal Presents in Sterling and Plated Silver of Elegant Designs.

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This Company has been in operation over three years, has a fine surplus, and is

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BANK STATEMENT.

Statement made to State Treasurer of the condition of the Scotland Neck Bank at close of business Oct. 6th, 1896:

RESOURCES.	
Loans	\$21,880.44
Over Drafts	863.18
Bonds and Mortgages	2,183.33
Due from banks	5,806.63
Furnishing account	613.19
Cash	9,715.16
Total	\$41,061.93
LIABILITIES.	
Capital	\$5,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	4,970.67
Bills payable	7,000.00
Cashier's checks	107.49
Deposits	23,983.77
Total	\$41,061.93

FRANK P. SHIELDS,
Cashier.

THE SOCIAL SWIM.

Coming and Going Every Week.

Miss Pattie Cotten of Portsmouth is here on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mr. John Applewhite of Kingsboro is here on a visit.

Mr. John T. Lawrence of Dawsons is in town visiting relatives.

Miss May Harrison of Rockingham county is here on a visit to relatives.

Dr. A. C. Livermon went to Bertie to visit his mother Sunday.

Misses Annie Biggs and Mary Lawrence spent a day at Dawsons' last week.

Mr. J. R. Harrell of Tarboro was here Sunday. His friends here were glad to see him.

Miss Mattie Howard of Tarboro was here this week on a visit to the family of Mr. J. W. Leggett.

Dr. B. L. Long, of Hamilton, vice-president of the North Carolina Medical Association, was here Monday for a few hours.

Mr. Fred Gray and wife came up from Norfolk last week to visit their home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McNaughton of Everetts, stopped over here last week on their return from their bridal trip North.

Rev. D. B. Ricard went to Pactolus Saturday where he preached Sunday. He returned Monday to Dawson's where he is assisting Rev. J. A. McKaughan in a meeting.

Miss Minnie Ferrebee, of Halifax, Miss Bettie Tillery, of Tillery, and Mrs. Frank Dunn, of Forestville, were here Sunday on a visit to the family of Mr. John P. Futrell.

Dr. W. O. McDowell and his mother were called to Franklin, Va., a few days ago by the illness of Miss Eunice McDowell. Her many friends here hope for her speedy recovery.

Biggest Circus in the World.

The uniting of the great John Robinson and Franklin Bros.' enormous shows has caused a "stir" in tented amusements, the like of which has never before been known.

This huge institution is the only one to present the wonderful "horseless carriage," and such well known high salaried performers as Miss Rose Dockrill, the world's greatest equestrienne; Mr. Frank Miller and Robt. Stickney, who stands at the head of bareback riders of the profession; the five Cornellians family, Europe's foremost acrobats; Seigrist and Silbon, who are the acknowledged monarchs of the air, a double troupe of Royal Japanese performers; Miss Dollie Miller, the greatest lady acrobatic rider on either side of the Atlantic; the three famous French grotesques, the De Zallors; a troupe of twenty humanly educated horses and panderous elephants, besides other novelties which can only be counted by the score. It is also a well known fact that these great shows present the finest zoological collection in America, and a hippodrome of surpassing merit. The grand street parade, which moves from the show grounds promptly each day at 10 A. M. is worth coming miles to see, and is the coming parade of both of these monster tented amusements.

Scotland Neck Tuesday Nov. 3rd.

A DANDY THING TO SELL.

I have been doing so well this summer selling combination dippers that I think it is my duty to tell others about it. I have not made as much money as some I read about, but I never make less than \$3, and \$5 a day; the dipper can be used as a fruit jar filler; a plain dipper; a fine strainer; a funnel; a strainer funnel; a sick room warming pan, and a pint measure. These eight different uses makes the dipper such a necessary article that it sells at nearly every house, as it is so cheap. You can get a sample by sending, as I did, 18 two-cent stamps to pay postage, etc., to W. H. Baird & Co., Station A, Pittsburg, Pa., and they will mail you a dipper, and you can go right to work. Anyone can make \$3 or \$4 a day anywhere. A READER.

HOW THE DIPPER SAVED THE FARM.

Father was sick and the mortgage on the farm was coming due, I saw in the Christian Advocate where Miss M. Fritz of Station A, St. Louis, Mo., would send a sample combination dipper for 18 two-cent stamps, and I ordered one. I saw the dipper could be used as a fruit jar filler; a plain dipper; a fine strainer; a funnel; a strainer funnel; a sick room warming pan and a pint measure. These eight different uses make the dipper such a necessary article that I went to work with it and it sells at very near every house. And in four months I paid off the mortgage. I think I can clear as much as \$200 a month. If you need a work you can do with giving this a trial. Miss M. Fritz, Station A, St. Louis, Mo., will send you a sample for 18 two-cent stamps. Write at once. JOHN G. N.

THE NEW HOOK SPOON FREE TO ALL.

I read in the Christian Standard that Miss A. M. Fritz, Station A, St. Louis, Mo., would give an elegant plated hook spoon to anyone sending her ten 2-cent stamps. I sent for one and found it is useful that I showed it to my friends, and made \$13.00 in two hours taking orders for the spoon. The hook spoon is a household necessity. It cannot slip into the dish or cooking vessel being held in the place by a hook on the back. The spoon is something housekeepers have needed ever since spoons were first invented. Anyone can get a sample spoon by sending ten 2-cent stamps to Miss Fritz. This is a splendid way to make money around home. Very truly,

THAT BRYAN EGG.

Truly a Wonder.

THE COMMONWEALTH last week printed the substance of a letter from a Washington City friend to Mr. E. T. Whitehead of this place with reference to the "Bryan egg" that a certain hen in Kentucky had laid.

Mr. O. K. Taylor of Scotland Neck wrote to Mr. J. Tevis Cobb, of Richmond, Ky., county attorney of Madison county, and asked him the straight facts about the wonderful egg. Mr. Cobb replied that at his father's farm near Red House, Ky., an egg was handed him on which was the letter "B" plainly discernible and seemed to be "an exact facsimile of the letter 'B' in Bryan's own signature." Writes Mr. Cobb: "You would infer that Bryan had made it, but he did not, and this is no fake nor is it in any degree artificial."

Mr. Cobb says he noted the shape of the dollar on the opposite side of the egg, but did not notice the "16 to 1." He says that the editor of the Richmond Register informed him of the "16 to 1" mark, and adds that the editor referred to is a reliable gentleman. The egg is surely a wonder, writes Mr. Cobb.

Mr. Cobb concluded his letter to Mr. Taylor as follows:

"My brother, who is an ardent Bryan man, confidently expects the fowl to complete Bryan's full name unless some McKinleyite kills the hen that laid the Bryan egg."

The impurities in the blood which cause scrofulous eruptions are thoroughly eradicated by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Try it.

Much in Little Hood's Pills

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chest, always ready, always efficient, always satisfactory; prevent a cold or fever, cure all liver ills, sick headache, jaundice, constipation, etc. 25c. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Notice.

By virtue of a judgement of the Superior Court of Halifax county, rendered in an action therein pending wherein J. W. Sherrod & Bro., and Bettie J. Bryan are plaintiffs and Bettie W. Whitfield, Roberta Whitfield and W. H. Johnson, trustees, are defendants, I will on Monday the 23rd day of November 1896, at the Post Office door in Enfield, N. C., sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, between 11 o'clock a. m., and 2 o'clock p. m., the land described in said judgment, viz: All that tract or parcel of land situated in the county of Halifax near the town of Enfield on which the late John G. Whitfield resided at the time of his death, adjoining the lands of James H. Parker, E. C. Bustin and others and being the same land which is described by metes and bounds in the deeds which were executed by Spier Whitaker and wife to said Bettie Whitaker and Roberta Whitfield, recorded in the public Registry of said county in Book 63, pages 469 and 470; Book 64, pages 424 and 425 and Book 65, pages 8, 10, 11, and also in the deed from M. E. Riddick to said Bettie N. and Roberta Whitfield. That part of said land heretofore sold to David Bell Esq., lying on the left side of the road is excluded from this sale.

G. M. T. FOUNTAIN,
Commissioner of Court.

FADS IN MEDICINE.

There are fads in medicine as in every thing else and a "new thing" frequently sells for a short time simply because it is new. But in medicine, as in nothing else, the people demand and will be satisfied only with positive, absolute merit. The fact that Hood's Sarsaparilla has stood its ground against all competition, and its sales have never wavered but have remained steadily at the top, demonstrates, beyond any doubt, the intrinsic virtue of this medicine. The new things have come and gone but Hood's Sarsaparilla rests upon the solid foundation of absolute merit and its power to cure and its sales continue to be the largest in the world.

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Best Possible Results from Every Day's Sale.

REMEMBER YOU HAVE EVERY ADVANTAGE AT THIS HOUSE

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New and Pretty Silverware

We have just received the largest and handsomest shipment of silverware we ever offered to our customers. Handsome Pickle Dishes; Orange, Coffee and Berry Spoons; Oyster, Fruit and Meat Forks; Tomato, Jelly and Cake Servers; Sugar Tongs; Cream, Gravy, Oyster and Soup Ladles, with many other pretty things.

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The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. T. WHITEHEAD & CO.

Pretty Wall Papers!

We can supply you with any and all kinds of Wall Paper in the latest and prettiest designs, at astonishingly low prices. It is direct from the great manufacturers, United States Wall Paper Co., of Cincinnati, and is the latest and most up-to-date paper on the market.

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I have just returned from New York with a complete line of fall millinery in all the leading styles and am prepared to fill all orders (local or mail) promptly. I also bought direct

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I have secured the services of Miss Hale, from Baltimore, as my milliner for this season. I wish to thank my friends for their liberal patronage last season and

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Lace Curtains and Curtain Poles, Carpets and Floor Oil Cloth.

If you want the best Shoes for Ladies call for Zeigler Bros., and for men we have Reynold's the best known shoe in America.

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